

July 6, 2012

Weekly Views

Camp Summit staffer John Cosich and several students performed two days of Community Service with the Maple City & LaPorte Lions Club recently. Mr. Cosich and the students assisted the Lions during their semi-annual Pancake Breakfast fundraiser, which was held at the LaPorte National Guard Armory. The students assisted in preparing and serving meals and cleaning up afterward (photo

right). The Lions Club is a community service organization that provides free eye examinations and glasses for those citizens that cannot afford them. Camp Summit's participation in Community Service events in LaPorte County is part of the Restorative Justice programming that aims to allow students the opportunity to make reparations to the community at large and to learn and experience the value of service to others.

The Building Trades class at Wabash Valley has donated their latest assignment to the Prairie Park Baptist Church in Vigo County. The playhouse will have a featured spot and see lots of use at the church playground. The

class gives offenders training needed for a good position upon release, opening the doors to apprenticeships or entry-level construction jobs. All class projects find much needed and appreciated "homes" in the community! (photo left)

Saturday, June 30, 2012, The Indiana Women's Prison, along with the National Council of Negro women, sponsored a Breast Cancer Walk. The offenders made and donated a homemade quilt to the Susan B. Komen Foundation along with a check for \$737.00.

Westville's Employee Action Planning Committee proudly donated \$153.00 to the Fellowship Baptist Church Food Pantry in Westville. The money was raised at the facility's Open House/Family Day where some of WCC's most daring employees spent time in the dunk tank. The EPAC has promoted several local charities in the name of the facility; the donations reflect the facility's efforts to embrace their community. (photo right)

PNJCF Superintendent Linda Commons announced the promotions of Correctional Officers and a Recreation Leader to the position of Psychiatric Social Services Specialists 3. Correctional Officers Tyler Mason and Christopher Vieweg were selected. Recreation Leader Mark Stevenson was also selected for a PSSS3 position. Superintendent Commons stated "these individuals will be a great addition to our treatment staff."

Miami Correctional Facility recently promoted five officers to Sergeants. Those promoted included: Bruce Shaw, James Summers, Paul Parrow, Ernest Parkin and Delbert Williams. Their promotions were effective at the end of June. All were originally hired with the Department of Correction at MCF.

The Pendleton Correctional Facility conducted a ceremony to honor the most recent graduates of the Security Level One Outside Dormitory (OSD) Inside-Out Dad program. As their service project the offenders made totes out of Capri Sun bags that were filled with hygiene items to be donated to a local women's domestic violence shelter. (photo right)



Three members of the IDOC Regional Honor Guard from Rockville Correctional Facility demonstrated the folding of the American Flag with full explanation at the First Christian Church in Clinton, Indiana. Captain Linda Vermillion, Officer Melissa Lutes and Officer William Siegelin attended the Independence Day service at the church's invitation. Following the demonstration, many of those in attendance commented that although they have witnessed the folding of the flag at funerals they were not aware that each fold had a specific meaning.



The Mobile BMV visited the Putnamville Correctional Facility where 319 offenders were processed over a 3-day period. Kelli Searing, Pre-release Re-entry coordinator, and staff were commended by BMV personnel and Superintendent Stan Knight for orchestrating a smooth and well-organized process.



Pictured are L to R: Tammy Wroblewski WCC EPAC member, Pastor Mark Smith and Patricia Kimmel WCC EPAC member.

